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Applicant: John K. Hewitt
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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